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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
**FIGHTING ON SOMME-
OISE FRONT.**
SHARP ENEMY RESISTANCE.
LONDON, Sept. 11,
1.15 a.m.
A French communiqué states:—
Between the Somme and the Oise
our troops progressed, despite sharp
resistance.
We advanced beyond Hinnancourt
and repulsed a counter-attack de-
bouching from Essigny-le-Grand.
Fighting occurred along the St.
Quentin-La Fere road. We occupy
Travecy village.
South of the Oise we threw back
several counter-attacks in the region
of Laflaux.
**280 AIRPLANES BROUGHT
DOWN IN AUGUST.**
During August in day-time 260
tons of bombs were dropped on objec-
tives on the battle-fields between the
Somme and the Aisne, while our
night bombers, attacking the railway
stations and communications, dropped
382 tons of bombs.
Two hundred and eighty enemy
aeroplanes were brought down and
65 enemy balloons destroyed.
**DIRECTION OF GERMAN
MOVEMENTS.**
LEAVES MUCH TO BE
DESIRED.
LONDON, Sept. 11.
Reuter's Correspondent at Br.
Headquarters, telegraphing this
evening, says:—
In the Epely Wood region, en-
advanced guards attacked the en-
outposts this morning, forcing the
enemy into rearward fighting, en-
advanced our line.
A captured Order shows clearly
that the direction of the
military movements lately has
much to be desired. It is admitted
that many serious blocks and delays
resulted from our attacks.
Inclement weather impeded the
activity. In one recent day's fight-
ing we dropped a big bomb and
722 smaller bombs and fired 4,335
rounds into battery positions, en-
machine-gun emplacements, etc.
We destroyed two enemy bal-
and crashed or drove down 16
planes.
GERMAN NAVAL WAR STAFF.
PERMANENTLY STATIONED
AT HEADQUARTERS.
LONDON, Sept. 11.
A message from Berlin states the
Admiral von Scheer and the Naval
War Staff have gone to stay perma-
nently at the German Main Head-
quarters.
MR. BAKER IN PARIS.
PARIS, Sept. 11.
Mr. Baker, the American Sec-
retary of War, has arrived at Paris.
**FRENCH DEPUTY DIES OF
WOUNDS.**
PARIS, Sept. 10.
The Deputy of Maine and Lo-
M. Gaston Dumesnil, died of
wounds yesterday.—Havas.
THE ITALIAN FRONT.
ENEMY ATTACKS FAIL.
LONDON, Sept. 11.
An Italian communiqué states:
In the Dosso Cassino region, no
of Maltissimo, repeated attempt
hostile attacks failed under our
The enemy suffered sensible loss.
We carried out a raid in the Al-
basin.
North of Gropa and also in
middle of the Piave there has
very active artillery firing and
connoitring. We exploded a la-
enemy dump at Zugnotorta.
**AMERICAN LABOUR'S WHOLE
HEARTED SUPPORT.**
"WE WILL GIVE ALL."
LONDON, Sept. 11.
Mr. Gompers and the members
the American Labour Movement
unhinged at the news
Gompers, regarding the Amer-
delayed entry into the war.
President Wilson's wisdom in
matter far outbalanced all else
three weeks before the Presi-
historic indictment in March
against German Militarism.
can Labour leaders met and
unanimously pledged their un-
devoted support in peace.
Mr. Gompers explained that
epoch-making decision.
President Wilson's subsequen-
tion. America, rising, then
declared: "Man and woman
Allied Democracy, we are
in this fight to the finish."
give all our labour power and
wealth to make every effort
order to secure a triumph.
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Hongkong, Sept. 9, 1918. 738

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Hongkong, Sept. 9, 1918. 739

HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Society will be held in the City Hall, on WEDNESDAY, 18th September, 1918, at 5.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st August; of electing office-bearers for the ensuing year, &c.
J. M. GORDON,
Act. Hon. Secy.
Hongkong, Sept. 11, 1918. 742

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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Hongkong, July 30, 1918. 623

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(1) To consider, and if thought fit, approve the draft new Articles which will be submitted to the Meeting.
And in the event of the approval thereof with or without modification.
(2) To consider, and if thought fit, to pass an Extraordinary Resolution to the effect:—That the new Articles already approved by the Meeting and for the purpose of identification thereof subscribed by the Chairman thereof, be and the same are hereby approved, and that such Articles be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by the required majority they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary Meeting, which will be subsequently convened.
A copy of the new Articles referred to may be inspected by any shareholder of the said Company at the Company's Offices in Hongkong, or at the Offices of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., the Company's Solicitors at Prince's Building, Victoria, aforesaid, on any weekday between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
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Hongkong, Sept. 11, 1918. 743

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Hongkong, Sept. 11, 1918. 744

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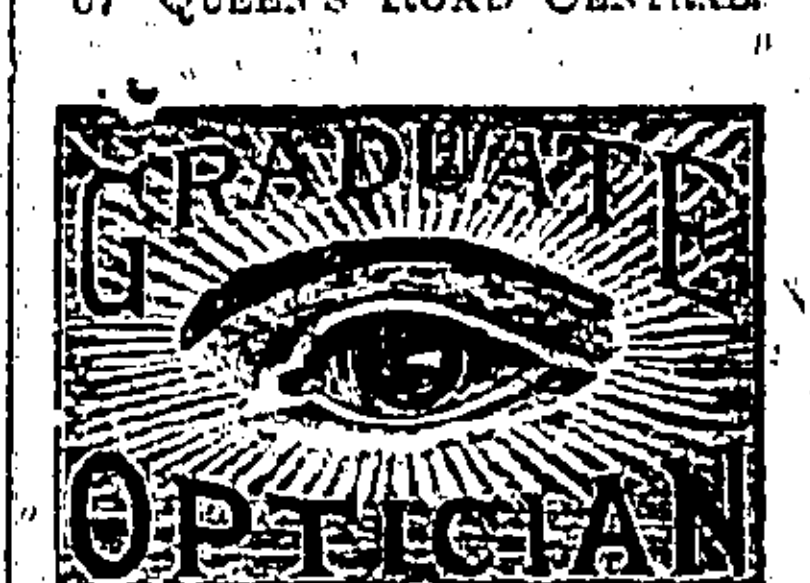
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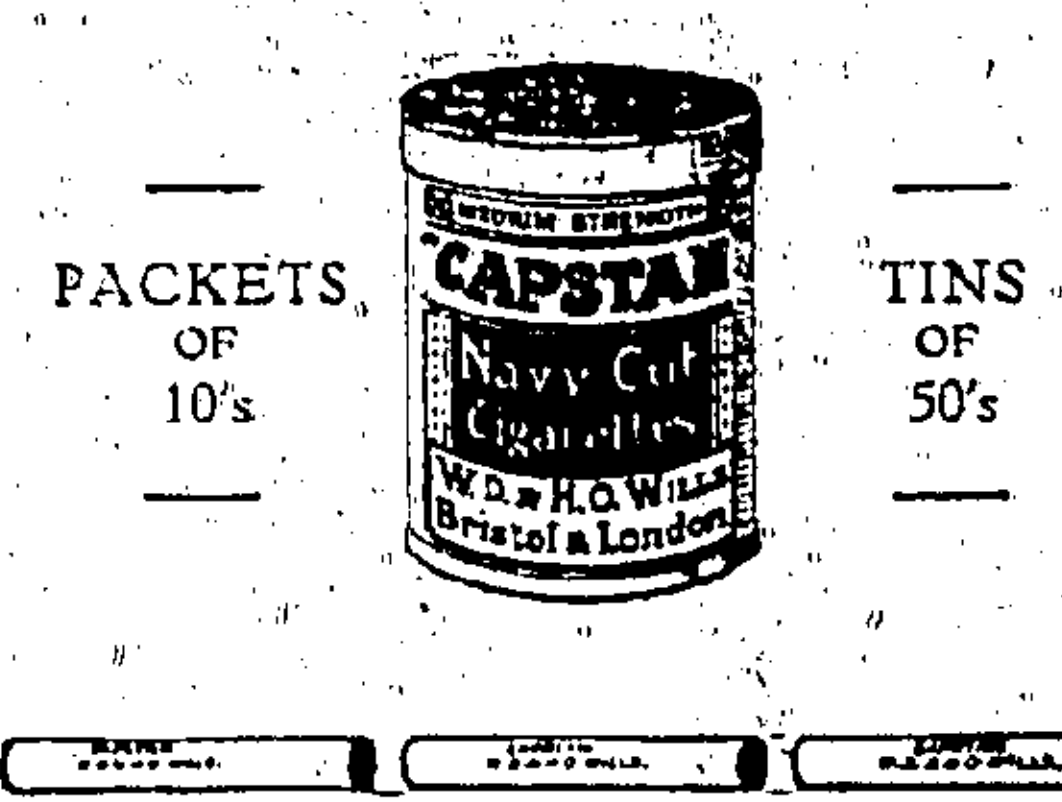
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AFFAIRS IN SPAIN.

Professor J. Fitzmaurice Kelly, Professor of Spanish at King's College, London, in an article on the recent disturbances in Spain, says:—

There is more fighting spirit and independence in the Spaniards and less practical sense, perhaps, than in the Spaniards. It attributes most of the disorders in Valencia to local causes. The inability of the natives to sell their fruit especially to England is one. Quite naturally the British Government cannot risk British shipping for Spanish fruit. On the other hand, English sends ships to the North of Spain for ore. (Grapes are a luxury; ore is useful in war. The people of Valencia feel that they have been left in the lurch.)

The unity of Spain is not an accomplished fact; it is a phrase, nothing more. One sees that in the separatist spirit of Catalonia & Barcelona. It is indicated in the abundance of regional literature in Spain. Spain indeed, is richer than any other modern country in this respect. Regional literature is the literature of the locality. Hardy's Wessex is an English example. In Spain the local spirit is highly developed. "Are you Spanish?" "No, I am a Catalan," or, "I am an Andalusian." One may ask such a question and obtain such an answer in any railway carriage when one is travelling in Spain.

CHANCES OF REVOLUTION.
As the country is not welded together, there is enough fighting spirit to lead to an open outbreak. Suppressing, for instance, the Valentians or the people of any province, take up arms, what opportunity have they got to fight the Central Government? Personally, I do not consider that they have very much chance of success. I base my view on the general principle that revolution must come from within, and that, neither of which sounds, say in Valencia. Furthermore the Central Government, although not popular, is strong. The Spaniard, in the profundity of his heart respects strength. The Spanish Kings who have been most popular have names which are a scandal in history. It is only necessary to recall Peter the Cruel and Philip II. Men may be tyrants but they accomplish something; they govern.

I think that the inclination of the people in power will be to defend themselves. King Alfonso will not go down without a fight as Don Manuel did in Portugal. The army may not be in good condition, yet the soldiers have what they themselves call "pride of uniform." What in itself makes them high-handed, something which would be evident in the event of an outbreak. It may be remembered that the Army's own most pressing grievances have been dealt with lately. And, then too I imagine there would be a great division of opinion among the people, notably among the bourgeoisie. They know from personal experience Spain's tendency towards splitting up into little Republics and they would not put their money into anything of that kind.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROGRESS.
Taking into consideration the unity of the established power and the disunity of the opposition, the prospects of the latter do not appear to me to be very great. (In Barcelona, which is both the Belfast of Spain and the centre of discontent, the disorders have been suppressed. What has happened there is likely to happen elsewhere.)
While in Russia England is looked upon as the enemy of freedom, in Spain she is looked upon as the enemy of anarchy.

Spain she is looked upon as the organizer of revolutions. Gibraltar, of course, is wanted for all it is worth by the German propagandists as a sentimental grievance among Spaniards, who have somehow got the idea that if Germany should be victorious Spain would be given back Gibraltar at the end of the war.

Even English and German commercial travellers have, in their way, certain acquired reputations in Spain. The German trade representative is always eager to please and to meet requirements. The Englishman's attitude is, "Take the goods as they are or leave them." The Spanish tradesman prefers to have his accounts in pesetas; the English "raders make out their invoices in pounds sterling. The German bows to the desires of the Spaniards, and the Spaniards and pesetas are the basis of calculation.

Again, the German clergy do not travel in Spain; the English clergy do, and accompanied by their wives. Spaniards do not understand Church functions; being married, and there is, in consequence, a disagreeable impression left in their minds. Once when I was in Spain the Archbishop of Blank and Mrs. So and So arrived. The Spaniards could scarcely be made to understand that the prelate was really married. Spaniards do not like France because of French anti-clericalism, nor the Italians because they thrust the Pope out of Rome nor the Americans because of the memory of old defeats and disasters. The internationalism of the extreme revolutionaries is a failure in the unity of the opposition.

ARCHBISHOP'S STORIES.

A GERMAN BOAST ABOUT THE WATERLAND.

TO CARRY 10,000 TROOPS A TRIP TO AMERICA.

"It is in the West across the ocean that the light of hope and confidence is most clearly shining," said the German chairman of the company and generally to a United States naval officer. "How many troops do you think I can put on board the *Vaterland*?" "I don't know," was the reply. "Well," said the German, "I can put 10,000 men on board, and some day I shall bring them across to the United States." "Then," said the naval officer, "if you do, I hope I may be there to meet them."
Within a short time, said the Archbishop, that very naval officer put 10,000 American troops into the *Vaterland* and sent them across to fight the Germans. Commenting on the large number of men of Teutonic blood in the ranks of the American Army, Dr. Lang said he asked a young German American of German extraction what his feelings would be when he found himself in the throes of battle with his own kith and kin. His reply was, "I have heard that things happened when Greek met Greek. They are nothing to what will happen when German meets German." (Laughed and cheered.)
Coming home on the boat he heard an American officer addressing his platoon one morning with words something like these: "Men, you are getting near land. You think you can fight, but I show you can't, because I have tried to teach you for six months. But you soon

will be among men—British and French comrades—who can fight, and will teach you. You have to make up your minds to do it."

The Americans had since shown, and were showing to-day, that they could fight. They were proud of them, and the Americans were proud of all the British had done.

He was a polite canvasser that faced Mrs. Smart. "Good morning, madam! Here is a polish for cleaning silver. Best on the market." "Don't want any," snapped Mrs. Smart. "Sorry to have troubled you, madam, but I thought the lady next door was mistaken." "What did she say?" "She said I need not waste my time calling here, as you had no silver." "The impudent thing! Give me half a dozen boxes!"

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The story was told to Mrs. Ward by Don Pascual Gayangos, a great Spanish scholar.

"Unfortunately I took no contemporary note. I give it now as I remember it, and if anyone who knew Don Pascual, or any of the many persons versed in Shakespearean lore, can correct and amplify it, no one will be better pleased than I. He said that as quite a young man, somewhere in the thirties of the last century, he was travelling through Spain to England, where, if I remember right, he had relations with Sir Thomas Phillips, the agent book and MSS. collector, so many of whose treasures are now in the great libraries of Europe. Sir Thomas employed him in the search for Spanish MSS. and rare Spanish books. I gathered that at the time to which the story refers Gayangos himself was but little acquainted with English or English literature.

DESTROYED OLD BOOKS.

"On his journey north from Madrid to Burgos, which was of course in the days before railways, he stopped at Valladolid for the night, and went to see an acquaintance of his, the newly-appointed librarian of an aristocratic family having a 'palace' in Valladolid. He found his friend in the old library of the old house, engaged in a work of destruction. On the floor of the long room was a large heap, in which the new librarian was burning up a quantity of what he described as useless and miscellaneous books, with a view to the rearrangement of the library. 'The old sheepskin or vellum bindings had been stripped off, while the printed matter was burning steadily, and the room was full of smoke. There was a pile of old books whose turn had not yet come lying on the floor.

"Gayangos picked one up. It was a volume containing the plays of Mr. William Shakespeare, and published in 1623. In other words, it was a copy of the First Folio, and, as he declared to me, in excellent preservation. At that time he knew nothing about the Shakespeare bibliography. He was struck, however, by the name of Shakespeare, and also by the fact that according to an inscription inside it, the book had belonged to Count Gondomar, who had himself lived in Valladolid, and collected a large library there. But his friend the librarian attached no importance to the book, and it was to go into the common bonfire with the rest. Gayangos noticed particularly, as he turned it over, that its margins were covered with notes in a seventeenth-century hand. He continued his journey to England, and presently mentioned the incident to Sir Thomas Phillips, and Sir Thomas's future son-in-law, Mr. Halliwell—afterwards Halliwell-Phillips.

JUST DREAM A LITTLE.

"The excitement of both knew no bounds. A First Folio—which had belonged to Count Gondomar, Spanish Ambassador to England up to 1622—and covered with contemporary marginal notes! No doubt a copy which had been sent out to Gondomar from England for he was well acquainted with English life and letters, and had collected much of his library in London. The very thought of such a treasure perishing barbarously in a bonfire of hislop out of his wife. Gayangos was sent back to Spain post-haste. But, alas, he found a library swept and garnished, no trace of the volume he had once held there in his hand, and on the face of his friend the librarian only a frank and peevish wonder that anybody should waste time with questions about such a trifle.

"But just dream a little! Who wrote the volume? Who wrote the thick marginal notes? An English correspondent of Gondomar's? Or Gondomar himself, who arrived in England three years before Shakespeare's death, was himself a man of letters, and had probably seen most of the plays? In the few years which intervened between his withdrawal from England and his own death (1626) did he annotate the copy, storing there what he could remember of the English stage, and of pleasant Willy himself perhaps, during his two sojourns in London? And was the book overlooked as English and of no importance in the transfer of Gondomar's own library, a hundred and sixty years after his death, to Charles III. of Spain—and had it been

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